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SUBJECT: HLM ON ENVIRONMENT

REFERENCE: GENEVA 13240 (NOTAL)

- 1. REFERENCE REPORTED ON AN ECE MEETING ON COMPILATION OF A COMPENDIUM ON LOW AND NON-WASTE TECHNOLOGY (LNWT). THIS MEETING WAS PART OF AN ON-GOING ECE STUDY OF LNWT AND HAD NO DIRECT RELATIONSHIP TO LNWT AS POSSIBLE TOPIC AT HLM ON ENVIRONMENT. NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES WERE HIGHLY QUALIFIED SPECIALISTS AND MEETING WAS CONDUCTED ON A SERIOUS, TECHNICAL LEVEL.
- 2. THE USSR WAS NOT REPRESENTED AT THIS MEETING. THIS FACT COULD BE USED DURING FORTHCOMING DISCUSSIONS OF A POSSIBLE HLM ON THE ENVIRONMENT IF, IN SOME SITUATION, WE WISHED TO INDICATE THAT SOVIETS HAVE NO REAL, SUBSTANTIVE INTEREST IN LNWT BUT VIEW IT ONLY IN THE POLITICAL CONTEXT OF AN HLM.
- 3. MEETING DEFINED NATURE OF INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED CONFIDENTIAL.

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BY MEMBER STATES FOR INCLUSION IN COMPENDIUM. SOVIET ABSENCE MAY INDICATE THEIR INTENTION TO PROVIDE NOTHING. THIS COULD ALSO BE NOTED AT APPROPRIATE TIME AS SOVIET UNWILLINGNESS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION WHILE AT SAME TIME PROFITING FROM INFORMATION PROVIDED BY OTHERS. IF NECESSARY, THIS SOVIET TENDENCY COULD BE CITED AS FATAL TO LNWT AS HLM TOPIC. VANDEN HEUVELD

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